House Resolution No. 33

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Nova Mae Montgomery of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of her Ninety-fifth Birthday with a special celebration on December 5, 2004; and

Whereas, in 1909, God brought a special gift to this great nation with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Nova, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, Nova Mae Montgomery made her formal debut in 1909 along with such notable people as clarinetist and big band leader Benjamin David "Benny" Goodman, actress Katharine Houghton Hepburn, and entertainer Ethel Merman; and

Whereas, an individual who has lived during an era of incredible progress, Nova Mae Montgomery was born the same year that the Indianapolis Motor Speedway held its first race on a dirt track, William Howard Taft was inaugurated as the twenty-seventh president of the United States, and W.C. Handy wrote Memphis Blues; and

Whereas, Nova Mae Montgomery has been an eyewitness to numerous national and international events, many of which are familiar to others only through the pages of history; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 95, Nova Mae Montgomery is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Nova Mae Montgomery at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Nova Mae Montgomery, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by
Representative Mike Dethrow
District No. 153
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 33, adopted January 6, 2005.
Rod Jetton, Speaker